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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING
REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 dated April 11, 2002, applicant is submitting herewith the required Declaration under 37 CFR 1.63.

Also enclosed herewith is a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 37 as requested, an executed Assignment and a Recordation Cover Sheet.

A check in the amount of \$105.00 (Surcharge Fee \$65.00 and Assignment Recordation Fee \$40.00) is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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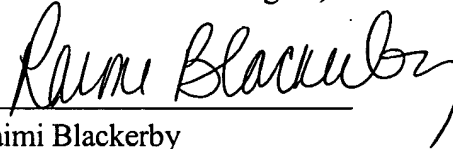


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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this transmittal, executed Declaration, executed Assignment and Recordation Cover Sheet are being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 on April 25, 2002.



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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Priority Document
- Copy of IPE Report
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Preliminary Amendments
- Small Entity Statement

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- \$65 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions

of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$65** for a Small Entity:

- **\$65** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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